



# HF Happenings 945

Seal Island, Mossel Bay – IOTA AF-077 (activated by ZS23I in May 2003)

Yes, there was no HF Happenings last week. Carina and I were in Hartenbos with our daughters and their families for the school holiday.

## DXCC's Most Wanted

The "DXCC Most Wanted" entities list has been updated on ClubLog as of 27 April. The list contains 340 entities. There have been no changes in the "Top 26" since we last reported back on 5 April. The complete "DXCC Most Wanted" entities list (340) is available at <https://secure.clublog.org/mostwanted.php>. The following are the top 26 entities:

1. P5 DPRK (North Korea)
2. 3Y/B Bouvet Island
3. FT5/W Crozet Island
4. BS7H Scarborough Reef
5. CE0X San Felix Islands
6. BV9P Pratas Island
7. KH7K Kure Island
8. KH3 Johnston Island
9. 3Y/P Peter 1 Island
10. FT5/X Kerguelen Island
11. FT/G Glorioso Island
12. VK0M Macquarie Island
13. YV0 Aves Island
14. KH4 Midway Island
15. ZS8 Prince Edward and Marion Islands
16. PY0S Saint Peter and Paul Rocks
17. PY0T Trindade and Martim Vaz Islands
18. KP5 Desecheo Island

## May

- 1 – Worker's Day; ZS-SOTA Activity Day; AWA Valve AM QSO Party
- 2 – AWA Valve SSB QSO Party
- 3 - Provincial Schools open
- 6 and 7 - Eta Aquarids MS
- 8 and 9 – the SARL VHF/UHF Digital contest
- 9 – Mother's Day; JLRS YL CQ Day 09:00 – 16:00 UTC
- 10 - West Rand meeting
- 11 - New Moon; End of Ramadan
- 12 – the Early Morning Coffee Sprint
- 13 - Ascension Day
- 15 - Magalies and Highway ARCs meeting
- 15 and 16 - IDXC Online
- 15 to 22 - AGCW (Activity Group CW) activity week
- 16 - ZS3 Sprint
- 18 - PEARS and Border ARC meetings
- 19 - SARL 80 m Club Sprint
- 22 - the May RAE; CTARC meeting; the YOTA Contest
- 25 - Namibia: Africa Day; Secunda ARC meeting
- 26 - Namibia schools open; Full Moon; Total Lunar Eclipse
- 29 and 30 - CQ WPX CW contest; Day of YL's Memorial in memory of Carine Dubois, F5ISY

19. SV/A Mount Athos
20. VP8S South Sandwich Islands
21. KH5 Palmyra and Jarvis Islands
22. ZL9 New Zealand Subantarctic Islands
23. JD/M Minami Torishima
24. EZ Turkmenistan
25. YK Syria
26. FK/C Chesterfield Island

### **CTU and Hamvention Forum**

Tim, K3LR, reports the following on 27 April. Registration is now OPEN for Virtual Contest University 2021 on 20 May 2021 and for 2021 Hamvention Forums on 21 May 2021. Both events are being held live through Zoom Webinar and are free. You must register to be included in the webinars. You need to register for each event separately. Four Icom radios will be given away at each virtual event. The drawing times are random, you must be registered and on Zoom at the time of the drawing to win. Both events will be recorded and available on YouTube at the conclusion of the events. For more information, please go to [www.contestuniversity.com](http://www.contestuniversity.com) and <https://hamvention.org/forums-2021>

### **3Y0J Bouvet Island DXpedition**

3Y0J DXpedition to Bouvet Island, January/February 2023. Bouvet is like the Mount Everest of DXCC entities. It is among the most challenging entities to activate due to significant transportation costs and personal sacrifices required by the team to make the 42 day round trip. Fortunately, Bouvet is not our first mountain. We are well prepared for this challenge.

All plans are going well. We are researching polar quality tents and equipment. We are discussing antenna specifications with various manufacturers. We will make careful choices to help us meet the demand for Bouvet contacts.

We are delighted to add a second Physician to our team. Dr Mike Crownover, AB5EB and Dr Bill Straw, KO7SS are both seasoned Emergency Physicians and will help the team immensely with their expertise.

Our fund-raising is going very well. We have received a significant donation from our long-time friend Y. Zorro Miyazawa, JH1AJT. Zorro has always been an enthusiastic supporter of our missions and his generosity is greatly appreciated. We are pleased to announce that we will receive the ARRL's Colvin Grant, as well as large donations from the Far East DXploiters Foundation, the German DX Foundation and the Twin Cities DX Association. We would love to add your Club or your Call to our sponsors pages. This will be an arduous and expensive mission. Our budget is \$764 000 USDs and the 3Y0J team will fund much of this mission. We desperately need the global DX Community to support our mission and help us make this important activation of the #2 most wanted DXCC entity. It is only through this kind of support that we can achieve our mission of making 100 000 contacts or more from Bouvet.

In closing, we especially wish to thank our many Foundation, Club and Individual donors. Without this kind of support, operations to the world's rarest entities would not be possible. Please include your call sign, mailing address and email address with your PayPal submissions. We would not want to miss QSLing with you! You can follow our plans from our website and the 3Y0J Facebook - <http://www.3y0j.com> and <https://www.facebook.com/groups/3y0jbouvet2023>

Thank you, Paul Ewing, N6PSE and Kenneth Opskar, LA7GIA Co-Leaders

### **DX from Africa**

Somalia, T5. Alex, IT9HRK (aka T6/IT9HRK, 5A/IT9HRK, YI9/IT9ADT) is reportedly now based in Mogadishu for the next couple of months as of 11 April and is expected to be active as T5/IT9HRK. He

works for the UN crisis management. Activity will be on various HF bands using mainly SSB, but will try CW, RTTY and PSK.



Italian Africa, IG9. Members of Oriental Sicily Contest Team (OSCT - IB9O) will be active as IG9OSC from Linosa Island (IOTA AF-019, grid JM65KU), Italy, between 19 and 23 May. Activity will be on various HF bands. QSL via IG9OSC, direct, LoTW or ClubLog's OQRS.

Niger, 5U. Adrien, F4IHM will be active again as 5UAIHM from Niamey, Niger between 10 May and 15 June. He will operate CW on 40 and 20 metres. QSL via F4IHM, direct or bureau.

Somalia, 6O. Ali, EP3CQ, will once again be active as 6O1OO from Somalia starting sometime in May. He returns to Mogadishu on 25 April and expects to be operational after his quarantine at the end of the month. The length of his stay will be two months (exact end date to be confirmed later). As always, his activity will be limited to his spare time because he works for the UN Department of Safety and Security (UNDSS) in Mogadishu. Activity will be on 80, 60, 40, 30, 20, 17, 15, 10, 6 metres (mostly on 40/20 metres ft8) using CW, SSB and ft8. It is suggested to watch for him on 20 metres most days at 17:00 UTC. His rig is a FT-450D w/100 and 180 watts into a Little Tarheel II and SE-360. The 6O1OO station is currently the only active and licensed Amateur Radio Station in Somalia. QSL direct to Ali Solhjoo, Schnackenburgstr. 3, Berlin 12159, Germany. QSL cards will be replied on a bi-monthly basis. IRCs are not accepted. For updates, it is suggested to watch QRZ.com or Twitter <https://twitter.com/EP3CQ>. All received QSL cards by 10 April 2021, will be replied to by 15 April 2021. Any QSL card that is received after 10 April will be replied to in July 2021. Ali also mentions that he is looking for support/help to upgrade his 3 year old station.

Reunion Island, FR. Phil, F5TRO and XYL Ann, F5BSB are new arrivals and permanent residents on the island. Their call signs will be FR8UA and FR8TZ, respectively. Phil states he will be active on 80 -2 meters (and 70 cm) at first, using CW, SSB and some Digital modes. QSL via direct or LoTW.

South Sudan, Z8. Sigfrido, IW9FMD (5H0RS, 7Q7RS, HB9FFN, T6AB), is once again active as Z81S from South Sudan. The length of his stay is unknown. He is there working with the United Nations Mission in South Sudan (UNMISS) in South Sudan. Activity will be limited to his free time, but most of his operations has been on 15 metres SSB so far. QSL via IT9YVO direct only.

The Gambia, C5. Luc, F5RAV, Gerard, F5NVF and Abdel, M0NPT are hoping to be active as C5C from The Gambia sometime in October/November depending on Covid-19 travel restriction. Activity will be on various HF bands using CW, SSB, Digital and the Satellites. QSL via F5RAV.

## Contest Calendar

This week's contests as compiled by Bruce Horn, WA7BNM. The period covered is 3 to 10 May 2021.

K1USN Slow Speed Test  
00:00 - 01:00 UTC 3 May  
Geographic Focus: Worldwide  
Participation: Worldwide  
Mode: CW  
Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20 m  
Classes: Single Op - QRP, low or high

Max power: HP: >100 watts; LP: 100 watts;  
QRP: 5 watts  
Exchange: Maximum 20 wpm - Name and sate, province or country  
Work stations: Once per band  
QSO Points: 1 point per QSO

Multipliers: Each state/province/country once per band; W/VE do not count as country mults  
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults  
Submit logs by: 23:59 UTC 5 May 2021  
Post log summary at:  
<http://www.3830scores.com>  
Mail logs to: (none)  
Find rules at: <http://www.k1usn.com/sst.html>

OK1WC Memorial (MWC)  
16:30 - 17:29 UTC 3 May  
Geographic Focus: Worldwide  
Participation: Worldwide  
Mode: CW  
Bands: 80, 40 m  
Classes: Single Op All Band - QRP or low; Single Op Single Band - QRP or low  
Max power: LP: 100 watts; QRP: 5 watts  
Exchange: RST and serial no  
Work stations: Once per band  
QSO Points: 1 point per QSO  
Multipliers: Each last character of worked station call suffix once per band  
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults  
Submit logs by: 06:00 UTC 7 May 2021  
E-mail logs to: (none)  
Upload log at: <https://memorial-ok1wc.cz/index.php?page=logs>  
Mail logs to: (none)  
Find rules at: <https://memorial-ok1wc.cz/index.php?page=rules2>

ARS Spartan Sprint  
01:00 - 03:00 UTC 4 May  
Geographic Focus: North America  
Participation: Worldwide  
Mode: CW  
Bands: 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m  
Classes: Skinny; Tubby  
Max power: 5 watts  
Exchange: RST, state, province or country and power  
Work stations: Once per band  
Submit logs by: 6 May 2021  
E-mail logs to: [spartansprint@yahoo.com](mailto:spartansprint@yahoo.com)  
Mail logs to: (none)  
Find rules at:  
<http://arsqrp.blogspot.com/2009/02/so-whats-spartan-sprint-and-how-do-i.html>

Worldwide Sideband Activity Contest  
01:00 - 01:59 UTC 4 May  
Geographic Focus: Worldwide  
Participation: Worldwide  
Mode: SSB  
Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10, 6 m  
Classes: Single Op - QRP, low or high; Overlay: Youth (26 years old or younger); Youth YL (female 26 years old or younger); YL (female older than 26 years)  
Max power: HP: 1 500 watts; LP: 100 watts; QRP: 5 watts  
Exchange: RS and age group (OM, YL, Youth YL or Youth)  
Work stations: Once per band  
QSO Points: 1 point per QSO with OM; 5 points per QSO with YL; 10 points per QSO with Youth; 15 points per QSO with Youth YL  
Multipliers: Each DXCC once per band  
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults  
Submit logs by: 01:59 UTC 5 May 2021  
E-mail logs to: (none)  
Upload log at: <https://logs.wwsac.com/>  
Mail logs to: (none)  
Find rules at: <https://wwsac.com/rules.html>

RTTYOPS Week Sprint  
17:00 - 19:00 UTC 4 May  
Geographic Focus: Worldwide  
Participation: Worldwide  
Mode: RTTY  
Bands: 80, 40, 20 m  
Classes: Single Op  
Max operating hours: 2 hours  
Exchange: other station's call, your call, serial no and your name  
Work stations: Once per band  
QSO Points: 1 point per QSO  
Multipliers: (none)  
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points  
Submit logs by: 23:59 UTC 11 May 2021  
E-mail logs to: [rtty-week-tuesday@nrmlcontest.no](mailto:rtty-week-tuesday@nrmlcontest.no)  
Mail logs to: (none)  
Find rules at:  
<https://rttyops.wordpress.com/rtty-mini-contests/rttyops-Week Sprint/>

### MIE 33 Contest

23:00 UTC 4 May to 03:00 UTC 5 May

Geographic Focus: Japan

Participation: Worldwide

Mode: CW, Phone

Bands: All, except WARC

Classes: Single Op - CW or mixed; Single Op  
Single Band - CW or mixed; Multi-Multi - CW or  
mixed; SWL

Exchange: Mie: RS(T), age and "ME"; non-Mie

JA: RS(T), age and "MEJ"; non-Mie non-JA:

RS(T) and age

Work stations: Once per band

QSO Points: (see rules)

Multipliers: Each age once per band

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO  
points x total mults

Submit logs by: 31 May 2021

E-mail logs to: [log-contest@jarl-mie.com](mailto:log-contest@jarl-mie.com)

Mail logs to: JARL Mie Branch, c/o T.Hasegawa,  
11-25 Kanocho, Tsu, Mie 514-0052, Japan

Find rules at:

<http://www.ztv.ne.jp/isoda/33/annual/43/43rule-e.html>

### Phone Weekly Test – Fray

02:30 - 03:00 UTC 5 May

Geographic Focus: North America

Participation: Worldwide

Mode: SSB

Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15 m

Classes: Single Op

Max power: 100 watts

Exchange: NA: Name and state, province or  
country; non-NA: Name

Work stations: Once per band

QSO Points: NA station: 1 point per QSO; non-

NA station: 1 point per QSO with an NA station

Multipliers: Each US state (including KH6/KL7)

once per band; Each VE province/territory

once per band; Each North American country

(except W/VE) once per band

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO  
points x total mults

Submit logs by: 03:00 UTC 7 May 2021

E-mail logs to: (none)

Post log summary at:

<http://www.3830scores.com>

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at:

[http://www.perluma.com/Phone\\_Fray\\_Contest\\_Rules.pdf](http://www.perluma.com/Phone_Fray_Contest_Rules.pdf)

### CWops Mini-CWT Test

13:00 - 14:00 UTC and 19:00 - 20:00 UTC 5 May  
and 03:00 - 04:00 UTC 6 May

Geographic Focus: Worldwide

Participation: Worldwide

Awards: Worldwide

Mode: CW

Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m

Classes: Single Op - QRP, low or high

Max power: HP: >100 watts; LP: 100 watts;

QRP: 5 watts

Exchange: Member: Name, member no or  
"CWA"; non-Member: Name and state,  
province or country

Work stations: Once per band

QSO Points: 1 point per QSO

Multipliers: Each call once

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO  
points x total mults

Submit logs by: 04:00 UTC 8 May 2021

Post log summary at:

<http://www.3830scores.com>

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at: <https://cwops.org/cwops-tests/>

### RSGB FT4 Contest Series

19:00 - 20:30 UTC 5 May

Geographic Focus: United Kingdom

Participation: Worldwide

Mode: FT4

Bands: 80, 40, 20 m

Classes: 100 W; 10 W

Exchange: 4-character grid square

QSO Points: 1 point per QSO

Multipliers: Each large locator square

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO  
points x total mults

Submit logs by: 20:30 UTC 6 May 2021

Upload log at: <https://www.rsgbcc.org/cgi-bin/hfenter.pl>

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at:

[https://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2021/r80m\\_ft4.shtml](https://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2021/r80m_ft4.shtml)

### NRAU 10 m Activity Contest

17:00 - 18:00 UTC (CW) and 18:00 UTC-19:00 UTC (SSB) and 19:00 - 20:00 UTC (FM) and 20:00 - 21:00 UTC (Dig) 6 May  
 Geographic Focus: Nordic Europe  
 Participation: Worldwide  
 Mode: CW, SSB, FM, Digital  
 Bands: 10 m Only  
 Classes: Single Op; Multi-Op  
 Exchange: RS(T) and 6-character grid square  
 QSO Points: (see rules)  
 Multipliers: (none)  
 Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points  
 Submit logs by: 20 May 2021  
 E-mail logs to: [10m@nr1lcontest.no](mailto:10m@nr1lcontest.no)  
 Mail logs to: (none)  
 Find rules at:  
<https://nr1lcontest.no/index.php/nr1l-contests/nrau-nac/10m/nrau-nac-10m-english-rules/278-nrau-nac-10m-english-rules.html>

RTTYOPS Week Sprint  
 17:00 - 19:00 UTC 6 May  
 Geographic Focus: Worldwide  
 Participation: Worldwide  
 Mode: RTTY  
 Bands: 80, 40, 20 m  
 Classes: Single Op  
 Max operating hours: 2 hours  
 Exchange: other station's call, your call, serial no and your name  
 Work stations: Once per band  
 QSO Points: 1 point per QSO  
 Multipliers: (none)  
 Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points  
 Submit logs by: 23:59 UTC 13 May 2021  
 E-mail logs to: [rtty-week-thursday@nr1lcontest.no](mailto:rtty-week-thursday@nr1lcontest.no)  
 Mail logs to: (none)  
 Find rules at:  
<https://rttyops.wordpress.com/rtty-mini-contests/rttyops-Week-Sprint/>

SKCC Sprint Europe  
 19:00 - 21:00 UTC 6 May  
 Geographic Focus: Europe  
 Participation: Worldwide  
 Mode: CW  
 Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10, 6m

Classes: (none)  
 Exchange: RST, state, province or country, name and SKCC no or "NONE"  
 Work stations: Once per band  
 QSO Points: (see rules)  
 Multipliers: Each state, province, or country once  
 Score Calculation: Total score = (total QSO points x total mults) and bonus points  
 Submit logs by: 13 May 2021  
 E-mail log summary to: (none)  
 Post log summary at:  
[http://www.skccgroup.com/operating\\_activities/skse/submit-display.php?submit\\_id=165](http://www.skccgroup.com/operating_activities/skse/submit-display.php?submit_id=165)  
 Mail logs to: (none)  
 Find rules at:  
[http://www.skccgroup.com/operating\\_activities/skse/](http://www.skccgroup.com/operating_activities/skse/)

EACW Meeting  
 19:00 - 20:00 UTC 6 May  
 Geographic Focus: Spain  
 Participation: Worldwide  
 Mode: CW  
 Bands: 80, 40 m  
 Classes: Single Op  
 Exchange: EACW Member: RST, member no and Nickname; EA non-Member: RST, Nickname and EA province; non-EA: RST, Nickname and DXCC prefix  
 Work stations: Once per band  
 QSO Points: 1 point per QSO  
 Multipliers: (none)  
 Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points  
 Submit logs by: 23:59 UTC 8 May 2021  
 E-mail logs to: (none)  
 Post log summary at:  
<http://www.3830scores.com>  
 Mail logs to: (none)  
 Find rules at:  
<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1ifD1n2GGSykXxQ9alx4JNlqvho7JGHvv/view>

NCCC RTTY Sprint  
 01:45 - 02:15 UTC 7 May  
 Geographic Focus: North America  
 Participation: Worldwide  
 Mode: RTTY  
 Bands: (see rules)  
 Classes: (none)

Exchange: Serial no, name and QTH  
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO  
points x total mults  
Submit logs by: 9 May 2021  
E-mail logs to: (none)  
Post log summary at:  
<http://www.3830scores.com/>  
Mail logs to: (none)  
Find rules at:  
<http://www.ncccsprint.com/rttyns.html>

NCCC Sprint  
02:30 - 03:00 UTC 7 May  
Geographic Focus: North America  
Participation: Worldwide  
Mode: CW  
Bands: (see rules)  
Classes: (none)  
Exchange: Serial no, name and QTH  
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO  
points x total mults  
Submit logs by: 9 May 2021  
E-mail logs to: (none)  
Post log summary at:  
<http://www.3830scores.com/>  
Mail logs to: (none)  
Find rules at:  
<http://www.ncccsprint.com/rules.html>

K1USN Slow Speed Test  
20:00 - 21:00 UTC 7 May  
Geographic Focus: Worldwide  
Participation: Worldwide  
Mode: CW  
Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20 m  
Classes: Single Op - QRP, low or high  
Max power: HP: >100 watts; LP: 100 watts;  
QRP: 5 watts  
Exchange: Maximum 20 wpm - Name and sate,  
province or country  
Work stations: Once per band  
QSO Points: 1 point per QSO  
Multipliers: Each state/province/country once  
per band; W/VE do not count as country mults  
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO  
points x total mults  
Submit logs by: 23:59 UTC 9 May 2021  
Post log summary at:  
<http://www.3830scores.com>  
Mail logs to: (none)  
Find rules at: <http://www.k1usn.com/sst.html>

VOLTA WW RTTY Contest  
12:00 UTC 8 May to 12:00 UTC 9 May  
Geographic Focus: Worldwide  
Participation: Worldwide  
Mode: RTTY  
Bands: 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m  
Classes: Single Op All Band; Single Op All Band  
6 Hours; Single Op Single Band; Multi-Op; SWL  
Exchange: RST, QSO no and CQ Zone  
Work stations: Once per band  
QSO Points: See rules  
Multipliers: Each country and VK, VE, JA, ZL, W  
call area (see rules) once per band  
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO  
points x total mults x total QSOs  
Submit logs by: 31 May 2021  
E-mail logs to: [log2021@contestvolta.it](mailto:log2021@contestvolta.it)  
Mail logs to: (none)  
Find rules at:  
<http://www.contestvolta.com/rules.pdf>

CQ-M International DX Contest  
12:00 UTC 8 May to 11:59 UTC 9 May  
Geographic Focus: Worldwide  
Participation: Worldwide  
Awards: Worldwide  
Mode: CW, SSB  
Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m  
Classes: Single Op Single Band - CW, SSB or  
mixed; Single Op All Band - CW, SSB or mixed -  
low or high; Single Op All Band QRP; Multi-  
Single; SWL; World War II Veteran  
Max power: HP: >100 watts; LP: 100 watts;  
QRP: 5 watts  
Exchange: RS(T) and serial no  
QSO Points: (see rules)  
Multipliers: Each RS-150-C country once per  
band  
Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO  
points x total mults  
Submit logs by: 19 May 2021  
E-mail logs to: (none)  
Upload log at: <http://www.ua9qcq.com>  
Mail logs to: (none)  
Find rules at: <http://cqmq.srr.ru/en-rules/>

SKCC Weekend Sprintathon  
12:00 UTC 8 May to 24:00 UTC 9 May  
Geographic Focus: Worldwide  
Participation: Worldwide

Awards: Worldwide  
 Mode: CW  
 Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10, 6 m  
 Classes: Single Op; Multi-Op  
 Exchange: RST, state, province or country, name and SKCC no or "NONE"  
 Work stations: Once per band  
 QSO Points: 1 point per QSO  
 Bonus Points: (see rules)  
 Multipliers: Each state, province, or country once  
 Score Calculation: Total score = (total QSO points x total mults) and bonus points  
 Submit logs by: 16 May 2021  
 Post log summary at:  
[http://www.skccgroup.com/operating\\_activities/weekend\\_sprintathon/submit-display.php](http://www.skccgroup.com/operating_activities/weekend_sprintathon/submit-display.php)  
 Mail logs to: (none)  
 Find rules at:  
[http://www.skccgroup.com/operating\\_activities/weekend\\_sprintathon/](http://www.skccgroup.com/operating_activities/weekend_sprintathon/)

Arkansas QSO Party  
 14:00 UTC 8 May to 02:00 UTC 9 May  
 Geographic Focus: United States/Canada state/province QSO party  
 Participation: Worldwide  
 Mode: CW, Phone, Digital (no FT8)  
 Bands: 80, 40, 20, 15, 10, 2 m  
 Classes: Single Op – SSB or mixed - QRP, low or high; Single Op CW - low or high; RTTY/PSK Only; Multi-Single; Multi-Multi; Single Op Mobile; Multi-Op Mobile; Portable; Rover  
 Max power: HP: >150 watts; LP: 150 watts; QRP: 10 watts  
 Exchange: AR: RS(T) and County; non-AR: RS(T) and state, province or "DX"  
 Work stations: Once per band per mode per county  
 QSO Points: 1 point per SSB QSO; 2 points per CW QSO; 3 points per digital QSO; Bonus: 200 points for at least one WR5P QSO  
 Multipliers: AR: Each AR county/state/province once and one "DX" once; non-AR: Each AR county once  
 Score Calculation: Total score = (total QSO points x total mults) and bonus points  
 Submit logs by: 22 May 2021  
 E-mail logs to: [arkansasqsoparty@gmail.com](mailto:arkansasqsoparty@gmail.com)  
 Mail logs to: Arkansas QSO Party, PO Box 5845, Bella Vista, AR 72714, USA

Find rules at: <http://www.arkqp.com/>

WAB 7 MHz Phone  
 10:00 - 14:00 UTC 9 May  
 Mode: SSB  
 Bands: 40 m Only  
 Classes: Single Op - fixed, mobile or portable; Multi-Op - fixed, mobile or portable; Low Power; SWL - fixed, mobile or portable  
 Max power: non-Low: >10 watts; Low: 10 watts  
 Exchange: British Isles: RS, serial no and WAB square; Other: RS, serial no and country  
 QSO Points: (see rules)  
 Multipliers: (see rules)  
 Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults  
 Submit logs by: 19 May 2021  
 E-mail logs to: [g3xkt@worked-all-britain.org.uk](mailto:g3xkt@worked-all-britain.org.uk)  
 Mail logs to: Tony Beardsley, G3XKT, 14 York Avenue, Sandiacre, Nottingham NG10 5HB, United Kingdom  
 Find rules at:  
<http://wab.intermip.net/Contests.php>

4 States QRP Group Second Sunday Sprint  
 00:00 – 02:00 UTC 10 May  
 Geographic Focus: North America  
 Participation: Worldwide  
 Mode: CW, SSB  
 Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m  
 Classes: Single Op  
 Exchange: Member: RS(T), state, province or country and member no; Non-member: RS(T), state, province or country and power  
 Work stations: Once per band  
 QSO Points: 1 point per QSO with non-member; 2 points per QSO with member  
 Multipliers: (none)  
 Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points  
 Submit logs by: 12 May 2021  
 E-mail logs to: (none)  
 Post log summary at:  
<http://qrpcontest.com/4sqrp>  
 Mail logs to: (none)  
 Find rules at:  
[http://www.4sqrp.com/SSS/sss\\_rules.pdf](http://www.4sqrp.com/SSS/sss_rules.pdf)

K1USN Slow Speed Test  
 00:00 - 01:00 UTC 10 May

Geographic Focus: Worldwide  
 Participation: Worldwide  
 Mode: CW  
 Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20 m  
 Classes: Single Op - QRP, low or high  
 Max power: HP: >100 watts; LP: 100 watts;  
 QRP: 5 watts  
 Exchange: Maximum 20 wpm - Name and sate,  
 province or country  
 Work stations: Once per band  
 QSO Points: 1 point per QSO  
 Multipliers: Each state/province/country once  
 per band; W/VE do not count as country mults  
 Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO  
 points x total mults  
 Submit logs by: 23:59 UTC 12 May 2021  
 Post log summary at:  
<http://www.3830scores.com>  
 Mail logs to: (none)  
 Find rules at: <http://www.k1usn.com/sst.html>

OK1WC Memorial (MWC)  
 16:30 - 17:29 UTC 10 May  
 Geographic Focus: Worldwide  
 Participation: Worldwide  
 Mode: CW  
 Bands: 80, 40 m  
 Classes: Single Op All Band - QRP or low; Single  
 Op Single Band - QRP or low  
 Max power: LP: 100 watts; QRP: 5 watts  
 Exchange: RST and serial no  
 Work stations: Once per band

QSO Points: 1 point per QSO  
 Multipliers: Each last character of worked  
 station call suffix once per band  
 Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO  
 points x total mults  
 Submit logs by: 06:00 UTC 14 May 2021  
 E-mail logs to: (none)  
 Upload log at: <https://memorial-ok1wc.cz/index.php?page=logs>  
 Mail logs to: (none)  
 Find rules at: <https://memorial-ok1wc.cz/index.php?page=rules2l>

RSGB 80 m Club SSB Championship  
 19:00 - 20:30 UTC 10 May  
 Geographic Focus: United Kingdom  
 Participation: Worldwide  
 Awards: United Kingdom  
 Mode: SSB  
 Bands: 80 m Only  
 Classes: (none)  
 Exchange: RS and serial no  
 QSO Points: 1 point per QSO  
 Multipliers: (none)  
 Score Calculation: (see rules)  
 Submit logs by: 23:59 UTC 11 May 2021  
 Upload log at: <http://www.rsgbcc.org/cgi-bin/hfenter.pl>  
 Mail logs to: (none)  
 Find rules at:  
<https://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2021/r80mcc.shtml>

## Next Week's Contests

Worldwide Sideband Activity Contest, 01:00 - 01:59 UTC 11 May  
 RTTYOPS Week Sprint, 17:00 - 19:00 UTC 11 May  
 Phone Weekly Test – Fray, 02:30 - 03:00 UTC 12 May  
 CWops Mini-CWT Test, 13:00 - 14:00 UTC and 19:00 - 20:00 UTC 12 May and 03:00 - 04:00 UTC 13 May  
 QRP Minimal Art Session, 16:00 - 22:00 UTC 13 May  
 RTTYOPS Week Sprint, 17:00 - 19:00 UTC 13 May  
 EACW Meeting, 19:00 - 20:00 UTC 13 May  
 NCCC RTTY Sprint, 01:45 - 02:15 UTC 14 May  
 NCCC Sprint, 02:30 - 03:00 UTC 14 May  
 K1USN Slow Speed Test, 20:00 - 21:00 UTC 14 May  
 NZART Sangster Shield Contest, 08:00 - 11:00 UTC 15 May and 08:00 - 11:00 UTC 16 May  
 His Majesty the King of Spain CW Contest, 12:00 UTC 15 May to 12:00 UTC 16 May  
 Feld Hell Sprint, 16:00 - 17:59 UTC and 20:00 - 21:59 UTC 15 May  
 FISTS Sunday Sprint, 21:00 - 23:00 UTC 16 May  
 Run for the Bacon QRP Contest, 23:00 UTC 16 May to 01:00 UTC 17 May

K1USN Slow Speed Test, 00:00 - 01:00 UTC 17 May  
OK1WC Memorial, 16:30 - 17:29 UTC 17 May  
Worldwide Sideband Activity Contest, 01:00 - 01:59 UTC 18 May  
RTTYOPS Week Sprint, 17:00 - 19:00 UTC 18 May

### **Elderly couple uses military Morse Code training to escape Tennessee assisted living facility.**

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They listened and listened until the beeps and boops finally made sense. And then it was time to go.

A husband and wife briefly escaped from a secure memory unit at an assisted living facility in Lebanon last month by using military experience with Morse code to decipher and memorize the code to an electronic door lock, according to Tennessee Department of Health documents obtained through a public records request.

The couple, who have dementia and Alzheimer's disease, are not identified in the state records. They went missing from Elmcroft of Lebanon for about 30 minutes on 2 March before a stranger found them walking down a road two blocks from the facility, according to the documents.

Once back at the Elmcroft, staff were curious about how the couple had escaped from the facility's memory unit, which is secured by a locked door with an electronic keypad, documents state.

The man said he "previously worked with Morse code in the military" and was able to use this experience to learn the door code by listening as staff punched numbers into the keypad, documents state.

As a result of the escape, Elmcroft of Lebanon was fined \$2,000 by state officials. The assisted living facility told state regulators it will prevent similar incidents by checking on residents more frequently and scheduling the man who escaped for "walking time outside the facility with a staff member present," according to state records.

Elmcroft of Lebanon also changed all its exit codes, according to a statement provided by the company.

<https://eu.tennessean.com/story/news/health/2021/04/30/couple-escapes-assisted-living-facility-military-morse-code-training/7166012002/>

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